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EMERITI NEWS

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**Speaker for April**

Acting University Provost Dr. Elizabeth Sayrs will speak.

**Emeriti Luncheon**

April 15, 2018; 11:30 a.m.; Ohio University Inn

**Menu Things to Remember about the luncheon**

Mixed Green Salad 1. It costs $15.

Honey Baked Ham 2. Notify Tom Franz (740 593-5347; [franz@ohio.edu](mailto:franz@ohio.edu)) by April 8

Broccoli Casserole if you will attend on April 15.

Scalloped Potatoes 3. If you are signed on as “always attends” but can’t make it on

Glazed Carrots April 15 notify Tom Franz (740 593-5347; [franz@ohio.edu](mailto:franz@ohio.edu))

Assorted Desserts by April 8.

**From the Emeriti President**

Another school shooting. Some say we are becoming inured to them. NPR reported that there have been 18 reports of guns in schools in 2018 alone, some of them non-fatal. Politicians offer their usual condolences. Many are trying to suggest solutions to the problem. One thought I have is that we all, citizens, politicians and public servants alike, need to listen more. In this last situation, there were plenty of signs that should have been recognized and acted upon, which might have stopped the shooter from carrying out his lethal fantasy. I suggest we listen more carefully because at the same time this shooting happened in Florida, a Washington state teen was thwarted from doing the same thing when his grandmother found in his journal, “I’m preparing myself for the school shooting. I can’t wait.” and called 911 about what she thought was a credible threat. The student’s home was searched and he was arrested. I am sure it was not easy to report her grandson, but in doing so she may have saved him and others from another tragedy. She and the authorities listened and acted upon what they heard. I hope others will also listen. Very often, these potential shooters like to talk about their plans. In doing so, they give others a chance to stop them. We all need to listen.

Alan

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**Conundrums**

Well, as Lane Tracy and Robert Lilley pointed out, my computer didn’t like either of my spellings of the plural of conundrum because I had spelled both wrong. I proofread the page but I knew what should be there, so that’s what I “read”. But here is something that puzzles me. Why do we say someone is head over heels in love? My default position (unless I’m horizontal) is with my head over my heels.

**Major Emeriti Event Coming in May. Plan to Attend.**

For over three years the Park Committee of your Emeriti Association has been planning an electronic kiosk for Emeriti Park. The programming is currently underway and dedication of the **Charles and Harriet Carlson Memorial Kiosk** is set for 10:30 a.m. May 19 on the south overlook of the park. The dedication is part of the On the Green Weekend. Presidents Nellis and Ping will attend as will four Carlson family members. Daughter Beth Carlson Stillwell will speak. Others associated with creation and evolution of the park are invited. A lunch will follow in the Alumni Dining Tent in Tailgate Park adjacent to the Convocation Center. Plan to attend .

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The electronic memorial kiosk menu will display names of all faculty awarded emeriti status since 1942, history of the park, new virtual memorials now being created, a list of current memorials (26 trees, 18 benches, six gardens, two overlooks, King Walkway, President Baker Watercourse, and Carlson Fountains). A map will show their locations, pictures of past park events, e.g. emeriti volunteer workers and the park in various seasons of the year, and policies governing park use and instructions on scheduling.

The dedication is coordinated by the Alumni Office and the Emeriti Association.

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**OBITUARIES**

**Brophy**

ATHENS - William R. "Bill" Brophy died Jan. 24, 2018. Born Oct. 9, 1922, in Rockford, IL, he completed his early education in Rockford, earning pocket money delivering newspapers and playing cornet professionally in dance bands. He majored in music education and music performance at the University of Illinois. Having enlisted in the [Army](http://www.legacy.com/memorial-sites/army/?personid=188308448&affiliateID=3705) Air Corps in 1942 he flew target planes for student airborne-artillery gunners. After the war he returned to the University of Illinois to finish his bachelor’s degree and earn a master’s degree in music.

Bill married his college sweetheart, Mary E. Evans, of Racine, WI, in 1944.  
 Bill joined the OU School of Music in 1948 and primarily taught French horn students. He was the associate director of the School of Music 1978-1983; assistant director of bands 1948-1965; director of the Ohio Brass Choir, the opera orchestra, and the adult choir of the First Christian Church. Bill was on the music scholarship committee and an adjudicator for OMEA contests.

After 44 years of teaching, Bill retired as a professor emeritus, then studied photography at OU, winning awards for his black- and-white landscapes, still-life photos, and portraits.  
 In 1997, the Brophys moved to Door County, WI, where Bill was active with the Door County Arts League. Bill and Mary spent happy times searching for interesting photo sites and hosting family and friends at their home, the "ZZ Hilton."  
 Bill enjoyed golf and taught his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren to love miniature golf. He was a connoisseur of big band music, enjoyed watching Formula 1 racing, and was a loyal Cubs fan.  
 Preceded in death by Mary; his son, Richard; and his grandson, Allen, Bill leaves a brother, two daughters, a son, six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.  
 Memorial contributions can be made to the Ohio University School of Music Scholarship. To give online, go to [ohio.edu/give,](http://ohio.edu/give,) click "The fund I want to support isn't listed above" and enter School of Music Scholarship. with the note "In memory of William R. Brophy." Or send checks payable to the Ohio University Foundation, "School of Music Scholarship in memory of William R. Brophy" in the memo line, to Ohio University Foundation, P.O. Box 869, Athens OH, 45701.  
A memorial service will be held at a later date in Sister Bay, WI.

**STEMPLE**

Anne Elliott Stempel, 87, was born in Pittsburgh, PA. She was preceded in death by her husband, Guido H. Stempel III. She is survived by two sons, a daughter and three grandchildren.

Anne earned a bachelor’s degree in sociology from Mount Union College (now the University of Mount Union) and studied social work at the University of Wisconsin. She worked as a camp counselor at the Fresh Air home in Pennsylvania where she met Guido.

Anne had been an Athens resident since 1965 and will be remembered for her work in mental health, helping people with mental illness be part of the community. In 1976 she was one of the founders of The Gathering Place, for patients recently released from the Athens Mental Health Center; part of the state-wide program of deinstitutionalization, and recognized by the Ohio Department of Mental Health as a model program. In 2005, in recognition of her work there Anne received the Inspired Community Service Award from the Jenco Foundation. The Gathering Place honored her in 2016 as one of its founders.

Anne was a member of the Athens First United Methodist Church, the Trinity Class, and PEO Chapter G.

Memorial donations may be made to Hocking-Athens-Perry County Community Action Foodbank, POB 220, Glouster, OH 45732; Athens First United Methodist Church, 2 College Street, Athens, OH 45701; or The Gathering Place, 7 N. Congress Street, Athens, OH 45701.